



Great Basin
Coordination Center

Evening Brief

Date/Time Stamp: Sunday, August 23, 2015 - 7:55 PM

Weather Summary

Isolated to widely scattered thunderstorms will spread north again across UT and far eastern/northeast NV today, again mainly in the mountains. By Monday, thunderstorms may return to the eastern half of UT, with drier air temporarily in eastern NV, however the greater push of deep moisture from the south will likely hold off until Tuesday.

Dry weather and warming temperatures expected over the rest of NV/ID through Monday as the ridge of high pressure strengthens over the Inter Mountain West. Monsoonal moisture surges northward through Utah/southern and eastern Nevada on Tuesday and Wednesday for an increase in lightning coverage, but also a greater possibility of some wetting rains and higher RH.

Weak disturbances may move around the high pressure, ahead of low pressure off the west coast to bring drier or mixed wet/dry thunderstorms to possibly parts of central/eastern NV and the central ID mountains on Tuesday, with lightning chances increasing Wednesday, and spreading north over northern NV/much of ID/WY by Thursday, with lightning/showers and some wetting rains ongoing most days across UT. This increase in thunderstorm activity will likely result in new initial attack across the region with a greater potential for large fires over ID and possibly NV.

Drier air moves into the southern Great Basin later in the week, and possibly spreads north across most areas later next weekend.

Preparedness Levels

Current:

Great Basin	4
National	5

Great Basin Fire Activity: (Numbers gathered from Sit Report)

New Fires and Acres: 10 fires 3,343 acres

Minimal initial attack activity throughout the geographic area today. Significant gains were achieved on multiple large fires. Shortages of critical resources continue to hamper suppression efforts.

Resources:

Seeing resources released off local incidents, specifically engines, therefore seeing slight improvement in resource availability still at or below drawdown level.

Forest Service BLM application interface issues are being addressed at the National Level.

Great Basin Fire Potential Summary

Fire danger has been increasing region-wide with the warm and dry airmass in place. Fire Danger indices are higher now than they have been most of the summer across much of the Great Basin.



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The expected increase in lightning activity Tuesday through Thursday next week across portions of Nevada/western Utah and Idaho may be on the dry side initially and will likely result in new initial attack and potential large fire activity. In the meantime, IA will likely still occur across UT today into next week as widely scattered thunderstorms continue.

Current Incident Details Todays Activity (from WFDSS):

Incident Name	Unique Fire Identifier	Size	Status	Latitude	Longitude	Pt. Of Origin Sage Grouse Habitat
JAKES	2015-IDBOD-001076	0.1	Not Contained	44.0609	116.4212	Yes - PGH
FA 19 Type 55	2015-IDJMX-000382	0.1	Not Contained	42.6341	114.2535	No
Wilson Canyon	2015-NVCCD-030625	0.1	Not Contained	38.8096	119.2261	No
Armstrong Pass	2015-NVHTF-030624	0.1	Not Contained	38.8383	119.892	No
Redfish	2015-IDSTF-000380	0.1	Not Contained	44.1376	114.9287	No
Sharps	2015-NVNNS-010515	0.1	Not Contained	40.8334	115.7334	No
Oliver	2015-UTNWS-000634	0.1	Controlled 08/23/15	41.0329	111.6987	No
RA 11 KRFD	2015-IDBOD-001068	0.1	Not Contained	43.4151	116.4542	No
Scofield	2015-UTSES-005253	0.3	Not Contained	39.7281	111.1536	Yes - PPH
Mule	2015-NVELD-040216	0.1	Not Contained	38.5642	114.6728	No
MCCOOK	2015-UTNES-000188	0.3	Not Contained	39.556	109.1772	No

fires occurred overnight

Large/Emerging Fire Summary:

Great Basin Priority Summary Based on the Most Recent 209's																					
Date 8/23/2015 19:43																					
Priority	State	Unit	Incident	Suppression Strategy	Descriptive Location	Size	24 hr Change	%	Expected Contain	Complexity / IC	Crews Assigned		Helicopters Assigned			Critical Needs					Threats
								Contained	Date		T-1	T-2 or 21/A	T-1	T-2	T-3	T-1	T-2 or 21/A	T-1	T-2	T-3	
1	ID	PAF	Tepee Springs	60% Confine 40% Full	20 miles south of Riggins, ID	10,979	+809	25%	10/15	Type 2 Demasters	4	8	1	2	2	8 IHC, 4 T2IA					Elk Creek Community 250 Residences Hwy 95 corridor
2	ID	SIS	Rapid	20% Confine 80% Full	12 miles SW of McCall, ID	3,584	NC	15%	9/2	Type 2 Dunford	1	9	1	3	1	2 T1 IHC's, 4 T2IA's, 2 T1 Helo, AA					39 Residences Area Closures Grazing allotments
3	ID	SCF	Bobcat	Point	15 miles N of Salmon, ID	237	NC	45%	8/26	Type 2 Whalen	2	4	1		1	T1 Helo					383 Residences 31 MixCom/ 17 Outbuildings, Hwy 93
4	ID	BOF	Cougar	35% Confine 65% Full	12 miles NE of Cascade, ID	832	NC	48%	8/25	Type 2 Rosenthal	7	3	1	1	1	1 Hoist Helo.					Timber, structures w/ 2.5 miles, Road Closures
5	ID	PAF	Campbells	Point	10 miles SE of Dixie, ID	6,000	+2450	0%	10/10	Type 3 Sawyer	1					IR flight/IRIN					Pvt. Holdings, Area Closures
Notes of Significance																					

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For more detail, see [Great Basin 7-Day Fire Potential Outlook](#)

For additional information go to: [Great Basin Coordination Center Web Site](#)